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NOTE FROM THE 149th IMA COMMANDER

SECTIONS UPDATE:

Automation:

The newsletter is up and running on the 149th IMA Detachment Web site. You can reach this site by going to the ODCSLOG Web site at

http://www.hqda.army.mil/logweb/sitemap/sitemap.htm

From here you click on Plans, Operations and Logistics Automation; then on 149 IMA; and finally on News.

After this issue, the newsletter staff is not planning on mailing a hard copy of the newsletter. However, if you can not access the 149th IMA Web site, please email the editor – MAJ Bohr at Bohrm@hqda.army.mil or fmbohr@visuallink.com to have your email address included on a distribution list. As a last resort, please indicate that you need to receive the newsletter via U.S. mail.

Subject: Distance Drilling Credit

The following article written by Dewey Dyer, CAPT USNR appeared at the following Web site:

http://call.army.mil/call/
fmso/wbil/wbil.htm

CAPT Dyer can be contacted by phone at 303-677-4245 (w) 303-617-3160 (h) or e-mail dddyer@cospo.osis.gov. CAPT Dyer will need a military resume or an ORB or 201 file (Army) EQQ or OQQ (Navy) in order to consider you for this program.

"This letter will introduce you to a new way of doing business in the Military Reserves. We seek participants to earn drill credit by telecommuting work on the World Basic Information Library (WBIL) project. The WBIL is a project to build an electronic research library using the Open Source Information System (OSIS) and other Internet resources. The OSIS is an intelligence community Virtual Private Network (VPN) with access to the Internet.

Employing Internet connectivity, it allows reservists to telecommute and prepare intelligence products for use by all source analysts, deploying units, and the law enforcement community. About 85% of what is needed in the intelligence business is unclassified, and can be exploited by qualified military reservists working remotely. We are the cutting edge of the way we'll be doing business in the 21st century. The WBIL has over 110

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remotely located people from all four branches of the service doing "virtual" production utilizing OSIS connectivity and their home Personal Computers (PCs). In other words, working at home using your PC to conduct research on assigned areas of the world for retirement point credit, just as if you were attending non-paid drills.

There is tremendous interest in this program and concept at the national level. The project is sponsored by COSPO (Community Open Source Program of the Foreign Broadcast Information Service). I am on the staff of the Commander, Naval Reserve Intelligence Command (COMNAVRESINTCOM). The Army's Foreign Military Studies Office (FMSO) functions as operations manager and training coordinator.

Each branch of service has its own method of reporting drills. For example:

USNR members are attached to the RIA14 IVTU 0108 UIC at NAS Atlanta, GA.

USAR members are attached to the FMSO UIC at Ft Leavenworth, KS.

USAFR members report through the AIA.

USMCR members will be attached to a MTU to be created with FMSO.

In each case, retirement point credit is earned. If you are an IMA status reservist - participation in this project will not affect or interfere with that status. Work with the WBIL project will be done as a person's drill responsibility for four drill points per month. This will not, nor do we intend it to invalidate any existing annual training opportunities, requirements or obligations. All new members that demonstrate an interest and commitment in the project will attend a three-day training session at Ft. Leavenworth. These are scheduled monthly.

This is an excellent opportunity for military members who wish to participate in a program that is a model of how we'll do business in the future. To participate in this unique project can be personally and professionally rewarding.

All branches of the service have the vision of a virtual future; WBIL participants are doing it in practice.

We presently are looking to expand at this time with members from each branch of the service, regardless of rank or specialty, each brings their own unique perspective to the table. We need you as an additional member in order to give more depth to our present areas of interest (Africa, Latin America, China and Transnational Threats) and to begin expansion to other areas of the world. "

EDUCATION DOCUMENTATION KEY TO USAR OFFICER PROMOTIONS

This article originally appeared at http://www.army.mil/usar/arperscom/arpercom.htm

Officers preparing for promotion to the rank of captain or above can plan for their board by making sure required documents are in their file well in advance of board dates. This includes submitting proof of a baccalaureate degree and appropriate military education with board packets. Examples of acceptable documents include transcripts, diplomas and certificates from educational courses.

The requirement to submit proof of both military and civilian education was established with the Reserve Officer Personnel Management Act in October 1996. Officers must meet both military and civilian education requirements in order to be properly considered for promotion to captain or above.

Proof must be submitted to the Office of Promotions, Reserve Component along with officers' board packets if the Official Military Personnel File (OMPF) fiche provided does not accurately reflect these educational requirements. Officers are cautioned not to rely on entries in the Officer Record Brief or DA Form 2-1 because these forms are not acceptable for verification of the education requirement.

Files which do not have the required documents are deemed Not Educationally Qualified (NEQ). Officers with an NEQ status are ineligible for selection for promotion. Officers are encouraged to update their OMPF on a regular basis, well before they are scheduled for DA Selection boards. Copies of critical documents should be provided to career managers at the Army Reserve Personnel Command, for USAR officers, or to the State Area Commands (STARCs) for Army National Guard officers for update to the OMPF.

Officers should also verify that these documents are provided to the promotion board by reviewing their OMPF. Documents missing from OMPF should be sent directly to the board along with the officers' promotion packets. Officers should note that providing documents to the DA Selection Board does NOT update the OMPF.

WEAR-OUT AND MANDATORY POSSESSION DATES OF MILITARY CLOTHING ITEMS This is the latest wear-out and mandatory possession date for items of military clothing. This is an update to the message dated 140725Z Jan 98.

THE MALE AND FEMALE ARMY GREEN (AG) SHADE 344 WERE REPLACED BY AG SHADE 489. OPTIONAL PURCHASE AG SHADE 434 WAS REPLACED BY OPTIONAL PURCHASE AG 491 (AG SHADE 489 IS THE POLYESTER/WOOL FABRIC; AG SHADE 491 IS THE POLYESTER UNIFORM). MIX AND MATCH OF AG SHADE 344 WITH AG SHADE 489, AND AG SHADE 434 WITH AG SHADE 491 IS NOT AUTHORIZED.

MALES ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE ONE COAT AND TWO PAIRS OF TROUSERS IN AG SHADES 489 OR 491 BY 1 OCTOBER 1999. MALES ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TO WEAR AG SHADES AG 344 AND 434 AFTER 30 SEPTEMBER 1999.

FEMALES ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE ONE COAT, TWO SKIRTS AND TWO PAIRS OF SLACKS IN AG SHADES 489 OR 491 BY 1 OCTOBER 2003. FEMALES MAY WEAR THE UNBELTED SLACKS AND A-LINE SKIRTS IN AG SHADES 344 AND 434 UNTIL 30 SEPTEMBER 2003.

A NEWLY DESIGNED SKIRT IN AG SHADES 489 AND AG 491 WAS INTRODUCED 1 OCTOBER 1997 TO REPLACE THE CURRENT SKIRT IN AG SHADES 344 AND 434.

THE DESIGN CHANGES ARE: A BACK ZIPPER REAR KICK PLEAT; TWO DARTS ADDED TO THE FRONT; TWO DARTS ADDED TO THE BACK; FULLY LINED; AND A NON-SLIP WAISTBAND.

THE MANDATORY POSSESSION DATE

OF THE NEW SKIRT IN AG SHADES 489 OR 491 IS 1 OCTOBER 2003. THE CURRENT SKIRT (A-LINE WITH SIDE ZIPPER) IN AG SHADES 344 AND 434 IS NOT AUTHORIZED FOR WEAR AFTER 30 SEPTEMBER 2003.

THE WOMEN'S SLACKS WITH BELT LOOPS IN AG SHADES 489 AND AG 491 WILL REPLACE THE SLACKS WITHOUT BELT LOOPS. THE MANDATORY POSSESSION DATE IS 1 OCTOBER 2003. THE NEW SLACKS WITH BELT LOOPS WILL BE WORN WITH THE ONE-INCH BLACK WEB BELT WITH THE BRASS TIP, AND ONE AND ONE-EIGHTH-INCH YELLOW BRASS BUCKLE. WHEN THE YELLOW BRASS-TIPPED BELT IS WORN, THE TIPPED END WILL PASS THROUGH THE BUCKLE TO THE WEARER'S RIGHT AND WILL NOT EXTEND MORE THAN TWO INCHES BEYOND THE BUCKLE.

SLACKS WITH BELT LOOPS MAY BE WORN WITHOUT A BELT WHEN WORN WITH THE SHORT- AND LONG-SLEEVED OVERBLOUSE. THE DRESS SLACKS WITHOUT BELT LOOPS IN AG SHADES 344 AND 434 ARE NOT AUTHORIZED FOR WEAR AFTER 30 SEPTEMBER 2003.

LOGISTICS OPERATION CENTER SOP

Anyone reporting for duty in the Logistics Operations Center (LOC) should find a copy of the standard operating procedure (SOP) manual at their desk. The SOP was written by the 149th IMA Detachment to document LOC operations. It covers the standard requirements as well as such things as where to find supplies and how to get computer equipment to work. This

SOP is especially useful during the night shift when more experienced LOC personnel are often not available for guidance.

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